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CSCR defends autonomy

By Peter McMartin

Disputes between SCSC communications Commissioner David Berry and the management of Campus radio station C.S.C.R. were made public at a hotly-debated meeting held March 2. The meeting was called to discuss a letter Berry sent each member of C.S.C.R. management. The letter has caused general outrage among station members.

Berry, in his letter and at the meeting, stated that there was a "security problem" at the station and outlined certain corrective steps. This included changing the locks on the rooms in which records and equipment are stored. The new keys are to remain in Berry's possession in his capacity as S.C.S.C. Communications Commissioner.

Berry's problem with the station concerns activities allegedly conducted by C.S.C.R. staff that he feels are "not within the station's rights". Specifically, he attacked the practise of allowing staff to record albums for personal use with station equipment. He claimed that this practise is outside the station's "original purposes".

Berry has restricted these purposes to the provision of musical entertainment and the mobile D.J. service for dances and other functions. He also complained that taping facilities are not open to all students, but just to station staff.

He said that since this practise involves access to equipment without management presence, station security is at stake. Berry proposed that everyone, including the station's management, would have to come to him for access to station equipment.

Station Manager, Greg Heal, explained that the practise of allowing recording to be done in the station was implemented in response to security problems in the past. When students were allowed to take records out of the station for recording in their own homes, they were often not returned.

Heal outlined the procedure, which he stressed was open to all students. Any student is welcome to enter the station and book time for supervised recording. He explained that "station staff were not supervised as closely as other students because they are more familiar with the equipment".

All applicants still have to obtain permission from Heal or from Program Director Mo Loutfy. Heal added that the misconceptions inherent in Berry's complaints showed a lack of understanding concerning the operation of the station.

A compromise solution was passed at the meeting. C.S.C.R. staff agreed to draw up a constitution of activities and obligations. This is expected to be completed and put into effect by the beginning of the next school year. Until that time, S.C.S.C. and C.S.C.R. have agreed to conduct their affairs through the established procedures.

Berry was criticized by station staff and S.C.S.C. members alike for having distributed his provocative letter without prior consultation with either party. Their common opinion is that unnecessary confrontation and bad feelings could have been avoided through a face-to-face meeting between Berry and Heal.

S.C.S.C. President Ruth-Claire Alinas called for, and received, an apology from Berry over this procedural error.

Several students in attendance voiced the opinion that the

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George Chu

C.S.C.R. staff were not impressed by the proposal made by S.C.S.C. Communications Commissioner David Berry at the March 2 meeting.

Dip in east-end VP candidates

by Paul Hirst

This year Erindale has become the largest supplier of candidates for SAC tickets with three students running for VP, compared to Scarborough's one. Of the four VP candidates, Krishin Honey, Al O'Hanlon, John Albers, and David South, all but Albers are Erindale students. The four presidential candidates are all from downtown Arts and Science colleges.

A SAC ticket must have one comination of the following -- a downtown Arts and Science student and a suburban student; one in a professional faculty and an Arts and Science student; or a professional faculty student and a suburban student.

Scarborough has had four consecutive Vice-Presidents -- Phil Boland, Titch Dharamsi, Craig Pinnock and currently Helen Christodoulou.

Scarborough Student Council President Ruth-Claire Alinas sees the sudden interest in Erindale as disinterest in SAC by Scarborough students. "People from Scarborough don't want to become involved. SAC isn't the student government it's supposed to be." Erindale College Student Union President Gianni Ciufo, sees the situation differently. "I think that Scarborough and Erindale have both been neglected by SAC but dissatisfaction is more prominent at Erindale." Erindale's last SAC VP was Linda Quirk in 1984-1985, but in last years election, Dominic Leblanc and Erindales's Brian Lacy were favoured throughout the campaign. In that elecilon, Leblanc/Lacy won 900 votes at Erindale, and almost half the votes here, but still lost.

Current Presidential Candidate Tom Brown says his running mate was chosen for political reasons. "People are looking at the number of voters who actually vote, and more poeple vote at Erindale than at Scrborough or the profacs."

Ciufo is upset to see Erindale used just for it's voting population. He said "Erindale shouldn't be seen as supplying votes to get into power." He speculated that Presidential Candidates are coming to Erindale for the quality of the people. Ruth Claire Alinas believes at Scarborough, there are only four people she

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For Your Info

RESUME WRITING SEMINARS
Friday, March 10 from 10:00 to 11:00 am.
Tuesday, March 14 from 11:00 to 12:00 pm.
Enrolment is limited so register as soon as possible in the Career Centre in S-302.

Ring Days Sale
In the Bookstore March 8 & 9. Deposit required.

Sports Weekend Dance
Sponsored by the African-Caribbean Students Association. H-wing Cafeteria. Admission $5.00 on Saturday March 11 at 8:00 pm.

Development Lecture
Is development possible in conflict zone? Featuring the Honourable Graca Machel, Former Minister of Education of Mozambique. Sunday March 12, 7:30 pm. George Ignatieff Theatre, 15 Devonshire Place. Sponsored by World University Service of Canada and the International Relations Program.

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First year Linear Algebra and Calculus. Call Cheryl at 475-2922 after 6:00 pm.

Drama Club
Final General Meeting, Wednesday March 8, 1-2 pm., in Studio 1.

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Anouilh's mordern version of Sophocles' tragic play focuses on the external opposition between pragmatism and idealism. March 8-11, 8:00 pm., T.V. Studio 1 (S256). No admission charge but donations gratefully accepted. For reservations, call 284-3204.

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Wednesday, March 15, from 2:00 to 4:00 pm.
Learn how to manage your time, your studies and your stress. Registration in this study skill seminar is limited. Register **NOW** in Counselling Services, S-302.

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Students to vote on OFS referendum

By David Berry

On March 8th and 9th, all students at U of T will be asked, in a referendum, if they want membership with the Ontario Federation of Students (OFS). This OFS referendum will indicate whether Scarborough Campus students want to pay the $3.00 fee levy to OFS for its services.

U of T started out with OFS in 1972 when SAC became a founding member but in 1980, U of T students voted against the OFS fee levy hike to $3.00 from $1.50. This ended U of T's involvement with OFS until 1988 when SAC negotiated a trial membership for one year at a fee levy of one cent per student. The trial membership will end with this semester. U of T students will be asked if they want to continue their membership with OFS and pay the full $3.00 fee levy (total of about $90,000).

OFS represents Ontario Post-Secondary students and deal "with the concerns of Post-secondary students in Ontario" (stated an OFS information newspaper). It goes on to state "OFS' main functions are to act as a lobby group to...the Ontario Government..inform students of the issues...and provide a variety of services to it's members."

Vote March 8th & 9th

CSCR, Berry battle it out

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station is running smoothly, and that procedural reforms of the sort porposed by Berry will create more problems than they will solve.

Bill Snow, Finance Commissioner for S.C.S.C., confirmed that the station management has followed correct procedures during all financial endeavours in the past.

Berry put forward a motion that he "receive a weekly inventory from the Station Manager in order to keep track of equipment use". This motion was rejected by the station staff as "unrealistic" and "unhelpful".

This rejection is supported by an S.C.S.C. by-law, which states that the Station Manager is only required to submit an inventory once a year.

Nominations for members of the Board of Directors for the Scarborough Campus Student Press Inc.

2 full-time undergraduate students
1 part-time undergraduate student

Nominations shall be signed by not less than twenty (20) members of the corporation from the respective constituencies.

Positions for faculty or alumni representatives. These nominations must be signed by not less than two (2) members of the corporation from the respective constituencies.

Nominations are due Friday March 24, 1989, at 4:00 p.m. in H-213C. Election, if necessary, shall be held on Friday March 31, 1989, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

VOTING REMINDER

GOVERNING COUNCIL AND ACADEMIC BOARD ELECTIONS

FULL-TIME AND PART-TIME UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

Polls will be open for full-time and part-time undergraduates students at the following times and locations on the Scarborough campus:

Evening Polls

March 6th - March 9th, 1989
5 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Meeting Place

Day Polls
(Jointly with SAC)

March 8th and 9th, 1989
10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Meeting Place
R-Wing, Library

BRING YOUR STUDENT CARD.

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SCSC General Elections (1989)

(nomination forms located in Rm. R-3042, Monday to Friday, 8-12, 1-4 pm.)

Nominations open: Wednesday March 1, at 9:00am
Nominations close Tuesday March 14, at 4:00pm

All candidates meeting Tues., March 14, at 6:00pm located in SCSC office (R-3042)

Campaign period Wednesday March 15, at 12:01am to Monday March 27, at 11:00pm

All candidates forum on Mon. March 27, at 12:00pm located in the Meeting Place

Election dates: Tues. March 28 and Wed. March 29 from 10:00 until 7:00pm

ALL POSITIONS ARE OPEN!!

SAC election guide

Blattberg/Honey

The Key plank in the Blattberg-Honey platform is reform. They propose to reform the structure of SAC's funding and spending procedures by creating a task force to critically examine SAC's role at U of T. This task force would make any fundamental changes deemed necessary. They also propose replacing student support staff with professionals who would hold positions for several years. In a interview with *The Underground*, Blattberg stated that, "SAC can't learn from it's mistakes" by consistently hiring new students every year. Another plank in their platform is increased funding for college student councils to provide better events. Both Blattberg and Honey support base funding for the Women's Centre, and despite their support for joining OFS, they are not necessarily recommending that students vote "yes" claiming that "it is a personal decision," says Blattberg. "We had a chance (in a trial membership) and didn't take advantage of it."

For Scarborough students, Blattberg and Honey would like to reinstate the late night shuttle bus at least two nights a week, a project that Erindale is presently experimenting with. "Charles feels he doesn't know Scarborough, but he's been coming out a lot to learn more," says SCSC President Ruth-Claire Alinas.

Blattberg and Honey would make it mandatory for commissioners to meet at Scarborough, and would consider the creation of a suburban committee if his task force felt that there was a need for one.

"Do you believe SAC has been effective for you out in Scarborough?" asks Blattberg. "If you truly believe it is time for reforms of SAC, if you want the fun and games to stop, then vote for Kristin (Honey) and myself."

Brown/O'Hanlon

Tom Brown has been the only SAC commissioner to hold a meeting at Scarborough College this year. Like Blattberg, he has been preparing for a run at the presidency, by visiting all three campuses throughout the year. Brown also played an important role in providing a new laser printing centre at Scarborough.

For next year, Brown and Al O'Hanlon want to increase funding to SAC Scarborough, and co-sponsor events with SCSC. Brown plans to attend SCSC meetings during the summer.

Brown also hopes to reinstate the evening shuttle bus running every night after monitoring it's use during a trial period. A second priority would be an early-morning shuttle leaving at 8:15 A.M.

On the Women's Centre issue, both Brown and O'Hanlon are against base funding, and expect that SCSC will also place the question on the ballot to test the response at Scarborough. Brown originally supported joining OFS, but changed his position after preparing a report on U of T membership.

"There is a need for a province wide voice for students" he says, "but OFS is not the best group to join. It can't decide whether it's a lobby group or a giant students' council."

Brown and O'Hanlon are also thinking about SAC reform. They would like to see the creation of a three-member ticket with a VP Finance added. Brown would also like to create a new Clubs Commissioner along the lines of those at Scarborough and Erindale. They plan to extend library hours at all campuses and want to negotiate with SCSC about installing two more photocopiers that will be available 24 hours a day.

Lawless/South

Presidential Candidate Jill Lawless and running mate David South, who represent the "Socialist Action Slate" were unavailable for comment. The platform stated below comes from their outline.

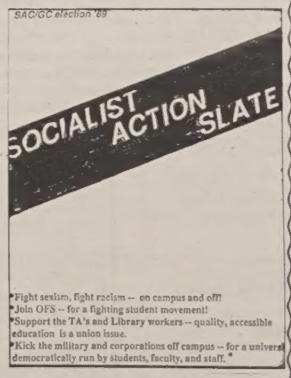
The two candidates running on the Socialist Action slate believe in a long term transfer of control to a combined unit of students, faculty, and staff, that will forge, "links between struggles on campus and off." They support the unionization of students to guarantee a quality education.

Among the other items in their platform are free tuition and housing, fighting international racism and sexism, mandatory employment, equity for women and people of colour, eviction of the military and police from the campus, full funding for the Women's Centre and an immediately joining of OFS.

"Our slate is broader than its individual candidates," says their pamphlet. "We believe students should organize to fight for the kind of university they want...SAC should serve as an organizing body in these struggles."

Their hope is to have students organize themselves into groups to fight for better education and to fight against sexism and racism. They fully support the TA's strike, and reject any prospect of non-union labour on campus.

For Scarborough students, their only mention of the suburban campuses is in stating that "Suburban citizens are not second class citizens – all students must be involved in all aspects of university life."



Thiesenhausen/Albers

SAC representaive Chris Thiesenhausen and John Albers are running on a campaign of accessability and decentralization. They want to see reforms made to SAC's structure where definite responsibilities will be placed on specific groups, who would be publically responsible for their area of specialization.

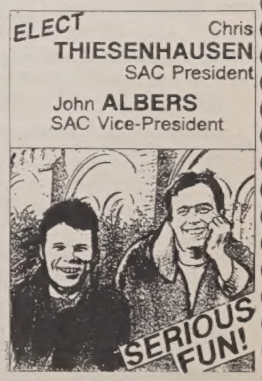
Other planks in their platform include improved co-ordination between SAC and the colleges, not only for special events but also for day-to-day activities and advertising.

They support funding the Women's Centre, but have allowed students to express their opposition by withdrawing their own incidental fees. On OFS, they support the principle of a collective student organization, but dislike the present OFS administration and would reject membership until OFS "is "interested in working with the schools."

A major theme is decentralization. They strongly support the principle of a tri-campus university and would require commissioners to meet at the suburban campuses before the budget is drawn up in October. Also included in their platform is the hiring of major bands for the suburbs with SAC assistance.

On the shuttle bus issue, they support lobbying the university administration for more funding if the demand is there, and will provide SAC funding if co-operation is secured from the administration.

Thiesenhausen wants to see the suburban campuses recognized as being a part of University of Toronto. He wants them to have more input into SAC's decision making and budgeting process.



Editorial

I won't beat around the bush--I believe the reason I'm editor here is because of the careless editorial control of my predecessor. I believe he left largely because of the heat placed on him by the student body for printing, as a column, commentary intended to enrage (among others) women, homosexuals, and blacks. Among the results of these columns: unnecessary tension among students; an unfair reputation placed upon this school and its members; and the addition of a swastika, carved on the **Underground's** office door.

Freedom of speech is never as easy as saying anything one wishes to say. As the cliche goes: you can't yell "fire!" in a crowded theatre just to exercise your right. It can't be proved and I'm sure the author would deny it, but I think he has been yelling "fire!" at us all year, just to see us react. Repeatedly, he has thumbed his nose at us from behind a banner labelled "Free Speech." We should all be offended by such a mockery of that freedom.

For six months, this newspaper has defended in principle the comments in "Darryl's Dartboard" by retaining it as a column. At 4:00 p.m., March 1, I became the editor of the **Underground**. As of 4:00 p.m., March 1, the "Darryl's Dartboard" column ceased to be a part of this paper.

This paper will not practise censorship--only editorial conscientiousness. Any student is free to express his or her opinion in the **Underground** through a letter to the Editor. A columnist, however, is a member and representative of the paper, and this is a new **Underground**.

Bruce MacDonald

Student calls for ban of Satanic Verses

To the editor

The hearts of one billion people on this planet have been deeply wounded. One man with a pen as his sword has cut into one of the most sensitive emotions a human being can possess -- dignity.

Muslim's believe that Salman Rushdie's **Satanic Verses** desecrates their Islam, which for Muslims is a complete and absolute way of life.

Ironically, this book has not only created bitter feelings among the Muslims of the world, but also among the natives of the West. However, their hardening of heart is directed not to Rushdie's controversial book, but towards Muslims themselves. As a democratic civilization, the West prides itself on freedom of speech. It becomes criminal to attempt to censor the expressions of ones thoughts and opinions. In this way humankind is free.

Nevertheless, one begins to wonder as to how humane complete freedom of speech is. Often words sting and can leave mental scars forever. This is exactly the case with the **Satanic Verses**. In Islam, the prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) is regarded with the utmost respect. Historians have, throughout time, verified the honesty, piousness, and sincerity of the man, Muhammad. He is considered to be the ideal human model to follow.

Therefore, to call the prophet Muhammad, which means "praise worthy," Mahound, which means "devil" or "pagan god," is terribly slanderous. Yet, even though tremendous pain has been felt by a vast number of fellow humans, the West and the media still condone Rushdie's book, justifying the hurt in the name of freedom of speech. How can Muslims who comprise one-fifth of the world's population, have a clear conscience knowing what they firmly believe to be a Blessing from God is totally misrepresented?

Emotions have risen even further after Ayatollah Khomeini urged Muslims to kill Salman Rushdie for writing this blasphemous book. The situation has been set ablaze even further when Hojatoleslam Hassan Saeie, a senior Iranian clerk, offered a huge reward for Rushdie's assassination.

The West has become enraged, condemning Khomeini, Iran and Muslims and labelling them as fundamentalist, blood-thirsty terrorists. It should be noted here that the terms "fundamentalist Muslims" and "moderate Muslims" are categorizations which have been invented by the West. In Islam no such labels are stamped on people.

Muslims living in the West have been let down tremendously again. Clearly, reasoning has proven to be a failure if edu ated women and men speak o it of their ignorance.

It must be realized that Ayatollah Khomeini must have had some deep convictions to call for the death of Rushdie. Obviously, this marks the severity of the situation. Instead of putting energy into denouncing the already stricken Muslims, the Western world should find out why an influential spiritual leader would make such a statement. For if one out of five

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Letters to the Editor

Article Mistitled

I anxiously awaited last week's **Underground** to see if my commentary entitled **"Canada, Refugees and Human Rights"** would find its place on the written page... Upon picking it up and turning to page 5, my reaction (after groaning in disgust and disbelief) was one of embarrassment. There on page 5 was a commentary by me entitled (in big, bold letters) **"Canada; Refugees and Human Beings"** (??)

How was it possible to screw up something so simple yet so important as the title? Not only is the title stupid; it conveys a distinction between "refugees" and "human beings" - which was obviously not my intent.

Que sera sera. The commentary originally entitled **"Canada, Refugees and Human Rights"** will forever be known as **"Canada; Refugees and Human Beings"**...UGH.

Tracy Brown

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SVC faces fire from predecessors

Denis Keyes and Ricardo Mashregi

In the past few months the Student Village Council (S.V.C.) has undergone tremendous restructuring. Chris Zutt (President), Andrew Woods (V.P.) and Kiou Nayer Nouri (Treasurer) are the current executives facing various on-going administrative changes.

S.V.C. is the body elected to represent the views and aspirations of all students living in residence. Many events were held such as Res. Centre parties and Orientation.

Woods said "Orientation was kept in control this year and we received many compliments. We have good relations with Administration. We kept within the guidelines and security finds us responsible."

Orientation is a means of uniting the students in the village together. Some first year students were quoted as saying they had "a good time in orientation." Others said that it was "a fun, social scene." None of these students however, would identify themselves because of the "tension that could be created."

"this weather brings out apathy ... spring will bring people out."

Has this unity (or enthusiasm) diminished throughout the course of the year? Nayer Nouri, who is in his 2nd year as Treasurer on S.V.C., said that "this weather brings out apathy" that's why things have slowed down, but "spring will bring people out."

The problem doesn't always lie with the Village Council Executive. Often the lack of student interest is the problem.

In addition disorganization of events has been blamed on the drastic change in the social events policy.

"Basically we're in a transitional period." explained Zutt.

Beaver Foods changed their policy in mid-stream due to outstanding monies owed to them. In order to hold another party in the Village Centre, Beaver Foods requires a $100.00 deposit at least two weeks prior to the event and that payment for the event be made immediately thereafter.

Last Friday's "End of February Blahs" Residence party held by Zutt and Woods was kept in control, and a large number of people attended.

Former S.V.C. president Murray Parks, said "before March they should have by-elections on the grounds that there is "no enforcement of responsibility."

Three of this year's Village Council members have resigned. Section VIII(a) of the S.V.C. Constitution states that: "Any council member may be removed from office for dereliction of duty or incompetence."

"If you can't get motivation from the top, don't expect it from the bottom."

The Residence Centre is often closed because council members aren't assigned shifts or are not fulfilling their duties. Students were told to get keys from Woods when the centre was found to be closed.

"The majority of council members are first year - they don't know any better." said Brent Gabbini, former S.V.C. Vice President.

"I could say that they're lazy," says Parks, "considering the Christmas decorations are still there."

In defence, Woods said he was "not sure when they'll be taken down, the council is responsible. Besides, it's just one Santa Claus head. It's not a big deal."

Gabbini added "We worked our asses off last year. I don't think they're doing the work. If you can't get motivation from the top don't expect it from the bottom!"

Last year's council said the job being done this year looks bad in their eyes because they've been through it before. There was "a lack of events this year; a total lack of leadership.

Sterotyping

To the Editor

I can certainly sympathize with Mr. Partow's concerns about certain perceptions of Islam. ("Western Media & the Falsification of Islam," *The Underground*, Feb. 21)

It is only one example of the misjudging of non-Western situations and occurences by the West. I do not see why though, that during his attack on the West, Mr. Partow saw it fit to attack a Middle Eastern country -- Israel.

Mr. Partow makes three main statements about the State of Israel. The first calls Israel the "sole democracy in the heart of the Arab Muslim jungle." Democracy is something of which the State of Israel is very proud, and it is reinforced by equal rights for all of its citizens.

The second statement claims that Israelis "steal more Muslim land and dispossess its native people." The State of Israel does not steal land. Any state land that was not partitioned to it by the United Nations, it has gained as the result of defensive wars in which Israel was attacked first by its neighbours.

Regarding specific territories, the Sinai peninsula was returned to Egypt as part of the Camp David Accords, and the status of the West Bank and Gaza Strip is waiting to be resolved when non-terrorist Palestinian leaders step forward to discuss it.

The State of Israel does not dipossess native people from their land. Within Israel's borders there is a population of Pale tinian-Arab citizens who have been living in the region for centuries. Many Palestinian-Arabs left Israel during the defensive War of Independence in 1948, as a result of the "discomfort" caused by the attacks on Israel by the armies of six Arab countries.

The final statement that Mr. Partow makes about Israel is the accusation about the "terrorist state of Israel." The State of Israel abhors hijacking, kidnapping, and acts of terror directed towards civilians or non-military settlements. Israel has been in the forefront of the worldwide fight against terrorism.

The stereotyping especially by the Western media, concerning Islam is a negative thing. Israel has also fallen victim to the same type of negative stereotyping. I hope that I have here let the true facts be known.

Anna Urowitz
U of T Israel Support and Action Coalition

Scarborough martyr?

With regards to Tony Nappo's letter entitled "Good-bye Felix":

Congratulations on giving us lazy, apathic Scarborough students our latest martyr: Felix Tan. It certainly clears up a lot of mistaken impressions I've been harbouring.

I was under the impression that Felix Tan had been asked to resign his position as Editor of **The Underground** because he had screwed up in a big way. Someone told me that he had published gratuitously and benightedly offensive articles, in an attempt to generate controversy. These articles were supposed to have caused general outrage and to have smeared our institution's academic credibility.

The story goes that, when confronted with the situation Felix chose to hide behind the masthead disclaimer, which states that the Editor takes no responsibility of the contents of his paper(?!). When that failed, he tried to shift the blame onto the students of this campus, claiming he had nothing else to print. When that, too, failed to get him off the hook, he wrote a bitter editorial condemning "student apathy". Then, left one final **Quote of the Week**: "I'm leaving it as I found it. Take over. It's yours," and like an angry child picked up his toys and went home.

I cannot tell you how relieved I am to know that it was the students, who rallied together, circulated petitions against Darryl McDowell, voted his butt off S.A.C., and are now running Felix's newspaper, who he feels are to blame. I would hate to think that I was doing his job, without pay, just because he was too busy pleasing his advertisers and his friends in political circles to worry about anything as mundane as responsible journalism.

Robert Leighton

Student calls social activists guiltmongers

Letter to the Editor

There seem to be more epidemics sweeping the country than ever before. Epidemics of alcoholism, epidemics of pregnancy, epidemics of suicide, the list goes on and on. I was always told that if there was an epidemic, to stay away from crowded places or you might catch something if someone sneezes. It's hard to see how anyone could get pregnant this way.

The use of "epidemic" is more than just typical media hype debasing language. It camouflages a hidden agenda. If everything is an epidemic than we can throw out personal responsibility and get more government programs, which means more money, power, and visibility to the great rescuers. Deep thinkers say that society made people become the way they are, and that mean honest taxpayers have to pick up the tab.

Everyone is learning how to cop out of personal responsibility by blaming society. Hardened criminals and high school students can tell you about all the trauma they were put through by "society."

People very skilled at creating guilt are crawling out of the woodwork because now is the chance for the privileged to speak on behalf of the underprivileged and make a living from it. We must not let these people blind us with high-toned words and let them throw our economic system off kilter.

Rob Sethi

Call for Rushdie ban (cont.)

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people in the world consider Islam to be Divine law, and if human beings are generally peace-loving, then the faith they practice must propagate peace too.

Most surprising is that the Old Testament has a rather harsh opinion towards blasphemy: "He who blasphemes the name of the God shall be put to death; all the congregation shall stone him, sojourner as well as the native, when he blasphemes the Name shall be put to death." (Third Book of Moses, Leviticus 2:191)

Therefore, what we are witnessing with this particular issue is not new. The other two monotheistic faiths of the world, Judaism and Christianity, have dealt with the situation before.

A sour twist is further entwined in the entangling controversy because a huge patriarchal figure of Christianity, Judaism, and Islam has been reduced by the venomous ink in Rushdie's book.

Prophet Abraham (peace be upon him) is directly referred to as "the bastard" on page 95.

Thus, the honour of three monotheistic faiths has been degraded. Does it not, then, become the duty of everyone to stop criticizing Muslims and start looking more closely at the words in Rushdie's book? Is it not time that Rushdie realizes his book is derogatory and insulting not only in the modern world but also to hundreds and hundreds of years of history?

The question now is what to do about this terribly controversial situation. The members of the Islamic Student Union at Scarborough Campus have varying ideas, however, throughout the world Muslims definitely agree the book is slanderous.

It can be said that the controversy that is stirring is a blessing in disguise. The western media attempts to segregate Muslims from the West, as well as attempt to cause chaos between the Sunni and Shia sects. However, the Muslim bond is only becoming stronger as more and more people are realizing that the only way to stop slander is to come together, unified and strong. The Muslim population is held together like steel bands and will never separate.

As fervent believers in peace, human morality and compassion, we urge you to share with us our concerns and help us to ban this book on the grounds of humanity. In no way are we justifying anything we have heard through the media about Iran. God says numerous times in the Qur'an (Islam's Holy Book), that He is "Oft-Forgiving, Oft-Merciful". It is time now to shatter the veils of ignorance and stand up for justice.

Fehmida Khimjee

CHRIS AND ANDY'S EXCELLENT ADVENTURE

Yess indeedie, there was a rezz party last week (Friday)! (S.V.C. says hi.... thanks to speech therapy!) We have decided to let the partiers speak for themselves:

..."Let anarchy reign for the better of the people"...
Chris Zutt

..."Oh man, I just woke up, eh?"
Denis Keyes

..."No school spirit... very boring... get the whole school involved"...
Janny Enman

..."I love them, I wish there were more!"
Marie McNeil

..."I just got here, alouette!"
Jeff(the frenchman) Gallant

..."It could only get Better"...
Sandy and Pat

..."More MEN, More Spirit"...
Juanita Fracita

..."just got here, nothing going on, going to perserve and just hang on in there"...
Rhonda Wexell

..."C.S.C.R. brought party lights"...
DJ. John Albers

..."Where's the popcorn, L.L...a puddy tat, tawt, taw"...
Peter McMartin

..."I'm majoring in microbial gynecology"...
John Bachehauser

..."not going too good"...
Bartenders

..."This dance really sucks"...
Dave Flood

..."They haven't done anything. Dick-all! No finish to T.A.G. game."
inside S.V.C. source

..."Better than the PUB"...
overhead at rezz party

RECIPE OF THE WEEK
(Obtained at the Rezz Party)
PEANUT BUTTER PICKLES
--Spread peanut butter on bread (leave the mold on...it adds to the taste).
--Put peanut butter bread on teflon cookie sheet.
--Put bread in oven on broil.
--Cook till "gooey"
--Take out, put on the Pickles.
--Bon Appetite!

MORE ON THE PART-TIME ANARCHISTS:

The P.T.A. is an officially non-official group whose members are vast in number but largely unknown to each other. Each P.T.A. member is fervent in their belief that no individual group or person is above criticism.

If you want to get on the P.T.A. membership list, or run for positions, you are already disqualified.

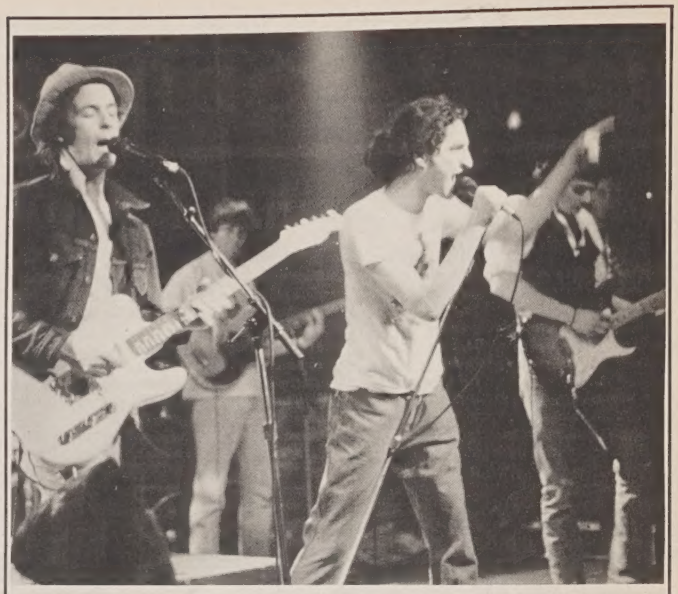
More on the Part-Time nature of the P.T.A. next week.

NOT AGAIN
Yet another Canada Post truck driver has drowned, after driving into the Atlantic. Remember, when sending mail to Europe affix a blue AIR MAIL sticker on the envelope.

O.K. Erindale watch out... here comes a paragraph:
THOUGHTS FROM THE THRONE
Wouldn't be a nice experiment if the pub dropped its cover charge on Thursdays. The pub is making a profit this year, so they are not extremely strapped for cash. It is likely that the increase in beer sales from the dropping of the cover charge would produce about the same amount of money. More poor rezz students would consider dropping by on Thursday for a beer, if they didn't have to invest a month's laundry money just to get in the door.

Any comments, complaints, criticisms, recipes, poems, songs, or nude polaroids, please drop off at A-7 or the **Underground** office. Please no bombs!

Bernard Podolski, Alan Robertson, Francois Wong



story by Jim Westwood — photo by Howard Yu

Since their inception in 1985, the Bourbon Tabernacle Choir has built a loyal following. The band has subsumed the styles of great masters into their own. They cover the classics of Muddy Waters, George Benson, et al. with total inhibition, mixing in original tunes that kept the dance floor packed. They will be at the Diamond March 9th.

Convocation set for June 6th

University of Toronto Bachelor's Degrees in Both Arts and Science will be conferred on Scarborough College Graduating Students June 6th at Convocation Hall, at 2:30 pm.

Faculty members are invited and encouraged to join the academic procession.

Veep's may split vote

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considers as SAC leadership material. She declined to give details.

MEDIUM II Editor Steve Satchel believes that "there is a consensus of neglect of Erindale" by the SAC executives, and Erindale has considered pulling out of SAC in the past. This, he says, may have played a role in the selection of running mates.

Albers sees the number of candidates from Erindale as a good sign for Erindale's future on SAC. "The higher level of involvement could be based on a perception that SAC is workable."

Satchel and Honey expressed concern that the vote at Erindale may be split, and that this could work in favour of the Thiesenhausen ticket. "We'll just have to live with it and try to get the most votes," said Honey.

Nominations Remain Open

The Underground requires the following positions to be filled for the 1989/90 academic year:

Editor-In-Chief
Assistant Editor
News Editor
Entertainment Editor
Sports Editor
Photo Editor
Production Manager
Advertising Manager
Typesetters
Business Manager
Distribution Manager
Graphics Editor

All nominations shall be in the form of a resume with covering letter to be submitted by Friday March 10, 1989, at 4:00 p.m. in Room H-213C (**Underground** office)

Screenings shall be held on Saturday March 18, 1989, at 12:00 p.m. in H-213C.

Sports

'A' Team to Erindale
Hockey clubs move on

By Tony Nappo

The playoffs are looking good so far for the three Mens' hockey teams here at Scarborough.

The Mens' 'A' squad dismissed the New College team as a result of the two-game, total-goals contest. The first game ended 8-1, and the final score was a 14-3 Scarborough victory.

Goals by Craig Marshall (5), Mark Sumi (4), Mark Sutton (3), John Lyon (1) and Steve Scullon (1) helped to push Scarborough to victory. The team will face Erindale in the best-of-three finals.

The Scarborough 'B' team, led by rookie Randy Tredenick and veteran Ed "Fire" Page, with two goals apiece, eliminated the Trinity team in a 9-1 victory. An outstanding goaltending performance by Kelly Boyes Scarborough low as forwards Bill Duris, Gary Ivany, Chuck Ferrera and Graeme Robertson, along with defencemen Tony Tieman filled the Trinity net.

The 'B' team will face the undefeated Innis squad in the Semi-Finals. They hope to repeat last year's performance, when they eliminated a similarly undefeated Erindale team.

Women V'ballers advance to semis

By Kristy Davidson

After emerging as the second place team in the regular season, the Girls' Interfac Volleyball team advanced to the Semi-Finals by defeating Erindale during Quarter-Final play on February 27.

Led by strong serves from Louise Jolly, the team effectively finished the game in a matter of minutes, eventually beating Erindale 15-1.. Coach Rob Cattle said, "It was our serving that got them in the first game. We kept serving it up andthey just couldn't return anything."

The second game saw some excellent play at the net by Caroline Miller and defesive digs in the back court by Anne Cusimano and Mary Lafazanis, as Scarborough again defeated the Erindale team

The following are eligible voting staff members of *The Underground* for the 1988/89 academic year:

Patricia Ho Coy	Tony Nappo
Andre Bijelic	Leslie Husar
Sanjeer Thakore	Zain Khan
Dennis Balatbat	George Chu
Belinda Lau	Felix Tan
Ricardo Mashregi	Bruce MacDonald
Peter Toivaninen	Paul Hirst

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Announcement

The Underground and the Women's Centre have recently concluded mediation proceedings with the Sexual Harassment Office of the University of Toronto.

The proceedings were mediated by Nancy Adamson, Sexual Harassment Officer. Many issues were discussed, and in the interest of all parties, we,the Board of Directors of the Scarborough Campus Student Press, agreed to implement educational programs in order to address the issues of racism, homophobia, misogyny, and sexism that are pervasive within the university community.

We believe that contentious issues of this nature should be explored and critically examined, and that to do this, members of our community must be informed. The following are resolutions agreed to by the Board of Directors and the Women's Centre.

As the College's newspaper, the Board of Directors believe that it is our responsibility that the staff of **The Underground** and the members of the Board guide the paper concerning these issues. We believe that this is both necessary and desirable, in order that we may be able to inform our readers responsibly, and with sensitivity in the future.

Be It Resolved That:

(A) Self-education, sexism, racism, and homophobia program shall be conducted between **The Underground** and the Sexual Harassment Office. It should be noted that the "Women's Centre" will not be involved in this proposed program. In particular, the Board of Directors and the four original respondents will take part in this process.

Paragraph 3 be changed to read "...program of harassment by **The Underground** (Scarborough Campus Student Press Inc. S.C.S.P.), specifically the actions of Felix Tan, Zain Khan, Patricia Ho Coy, and Tony Nappo, editorial staff of **The Underground**." (Originally, the complaint had accused the four named respondents of sexual harassment. The Board of Directors of the S.C.S.P. felt that the complaint should be filed against **The Underground**, per se, to reflect the editorial responsibility of the Corporation in this matter and this proposal was mutually agreed to.)

The Scarborough **Underground** will publish this resolution in its entirety before the last issue of the 1988/89 school year (April 1989).

The Underground agrees to address the issues of sexism, racism, homophobia, and misogyny.

Either party can make this resolution and the mediation process public.

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